

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 1-4. These sheets replace the original Figures 1-4.

Attachments: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS

Reconsideration and further examination of the present application is respectfully requested. The Office Action has rejected claims 16-22, 25-28, and 31-36. Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 1 - 15. Please cancel claims 16-36 without prejudice. Applicants have added claims 37, 38, 44, 47 that rewrite objected claims 23, 24, 29, and 30, respectively, into a form indicated as allowable in the previous office action. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the subject application.

Objections to the Claims

Claims 23, 24, 29 and 30 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Applicants added claim 37 that includes all the limitations of claim 23, the base claim, and the intervening claims as the previous office action indicated would be allowable. Claim 39 is claim 24 rewritten to depend on claim 37. Likewise, Applicants added claim 44 to include all the limitations of claim 29, the base claim, and the intervening claims as the previous office action indicated would be allowable. Claim 47 is claim 30 rewritten to include all the limitations of claim 30, the base claim, and the intervening claims as the previous office action indicated would be allowable.

Claim 39 is dependent claim 17 rewritten to depend on claim 37. Claim 40 is dependent claim 18 rewritten to depend on claim 39. Claim 41 is dependent claim 19 rewritten to depend on claim 40. Claims 42 and 43 are dependent claims 21 and 22, respectively, rewritten to depend on claim 37. Claim 45 is dependent claim 30 rewritten to depend on claim 44. Claims 48 and 49 are dependent claims 27 and 28, respectively, rewritten to depend on claim 47. Claim 50 is dependent claim 29 rewritten to depend on claim 49.

35 USC § 102

Claims 16 – 22, 25 – 28, and 31 – 36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 (e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Pub. No. 2001/0012288 (“Yu”).

Applicants canceled claims 16-36.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance.

Invitation for a telephone interview

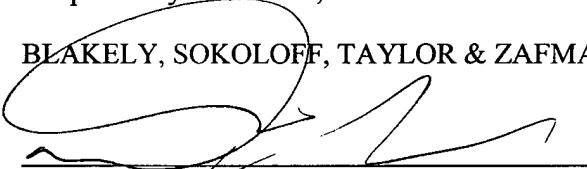
The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at 408-720-8300 if there remains any issue with allowance of this case.

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Respectfully submitted,

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